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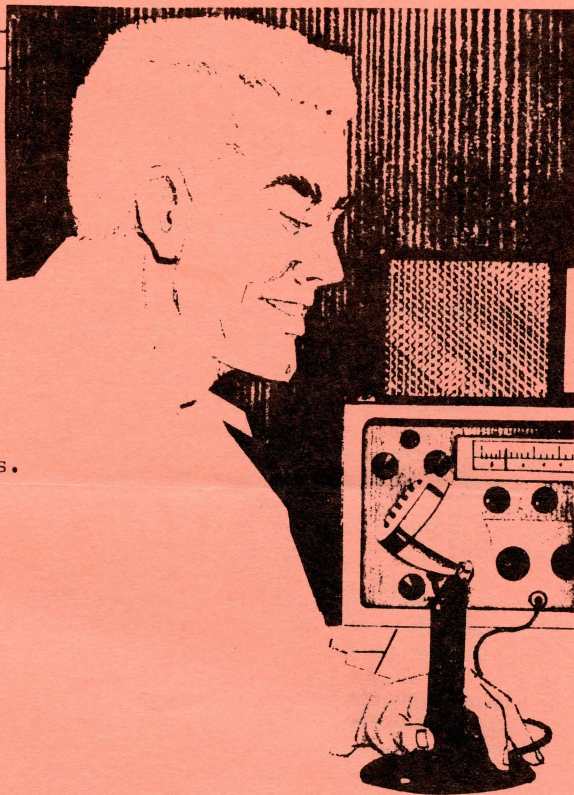
17 October 1980

Our speaker will be: Royal Mumford,
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CARRIER EDITOR FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER: W6NKF, DON SMITH, WALNUT CREEK

DECEMBER AWARDS

The Awards Committee met Sept 26 Friday at 7:30 PM to discuss and plan IDARC's annual awards program to be presented at the December 16th Christmas Party.

The Awards Committee is soliciting nominations for HAM of the YEAR also Certificates of Outstanding Service and Appreciation.

Contact any one of the following hams to make your nomination: VJ2AQV WA6GON, WB6LHI, WB6PQI, W6KSL, KA6JGP

We'd like to "Roast" several club members who were not roasted last year. Should you come up with a good "roast" idea let us know about that too!

Thanks, Doug Smith
WA6GON/CH PT

ALUMINUM

The Awards Committee will be attempting to recycle aluminum cans to help boost the awards budget. It is not as far-fetched as it might seem either. Twenty-eight pounds of the silvery stuff netted us \$7.00 the other day. That represents alot of cans I grant you that. I have been saving all the aluminum cans I can find at work, old tin foil and patio chairs. All of it is worth \$\$\$

I hope you will help us with an all out effort! Bring your saved aluminum to the club meetings and I'll recycle it for you---or drop it off at recycling center near you and mail the club the proceeds. Any left over dollars will be put in the clubs general fund.

I'd like to see us continue this on a yearly basis. A little extra cash can keep our treasury in the black and our club NUMBER ONE!

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Well folks, after 6 months of putting this column together it finally happened that none of the four remaining, as yet unfeatured Southern Chapter members got their autobiographies in on time. Therefore there is no one to spotlight this month. However the mark of a wordy columnist is his/her ability to come up with news on a moments notice. The article which follows ought to prove conclusively that a columnist, I'm not! Anyhow here goes--bits and pieces from here and there.....

WA6TFS: Fireman Jim (Captain that is), abruptly found himself running the entire San Clemente Fire Department on Tuesday, Aug. 19th. When his boss the fire cheif took the rest of the department up to Laguna Beach to help fight a brush fire which for a time threatened a number of expensive homes, not to mention a couple of local VHF repeater sites. Not to worry folks, for once WA6PVA's Bluebird Canyon hacienda was out of the danger area.

W6TIO: Captain Bob, (airline type), finally got two things hes been hoping for. One, an RTTY system with computer interface which actually works, and two, he finally achieved a one day work week. That's right folks, Boston and back on Saturdays with the rest of the week off.

W6BSL: After spending a few days recovering from the trials and tribulations of life in So. Calif. at AI6V's Nevada City QTH, (Carl is a past MDARC president), Orv and Elaine reluctantly returned to the southland. However, in view of the fact that he was forced to visit K6IMV it's probably best that "dear old Dad" returned home as soon as he did.

KB6WM: Dave now sports a very good mobile HF installation. His IC-701 and SWAN antenna are getting him some pretty good signal reports 3895 in the evening.

SMØHEP/W6: Per has returned to Sweden after a month's vacation in the states. As soon as he sends a picture of himself and his shack, we'll do a feature on him in the column.

WA6PVA: Joe is packing up the Calif. QTH for the winterpreparing to return to Ore. at the conclusion of the baseball season. Joe promises to have his 100' tower back in shape in time for the CQ WW DX Phone contest in October

WA6CUP: Currently in the process of erecting a 60' tower and TH6DXX tribander. Look for WA6CUP and WA6 PVA during the aforementioned DX contest. Live and full power from beautiful non-downtown Baker Ore. All points go to WA6PVA Inc.

Well folks, thats all for this month. See you soon with, hopefully, another featured Sothern Calif. Chapter Member.

73's Jerry.

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AUGUST WR6AHK REPEATER MEETING MINUTES.

Meeting was called to order at 2000 on 20 Aug 1980.

Minutes of May 1980 meeting accepted as published in the CARRIER.

The treasurer reports a balance of \$1207.87 and all bills paid.

Chuck Welsh, WA6MWU reported on the progress of the WR6AHK-K6POU/R sanction problem.

MMSP for a vote of confidence for the way that Chuck Welsh is handling the WR6AHK-K6POU/R situation.

Don Doughty, W6EEN, appointed to replace Dick Thomas, WA6ODA as member at large on the steering committee.

Terry Lange gave a progress report on repairs being made on WR6AHK, and discussed haveing an emergency only phone patch on the repeater.

Of the \$1400.00 allocated to upgrade the repeater, \$670.00 has been spent, leaving a balance of \$730.00.

MMSP to accept as a new member, Mori Young KN6M.

Terry Lange reported on the new insurance costs, and it was MMSP to contribute 1/3 of the cost of the insurance premium to MDARC.

MMSP to request MDARC board members to publish in the CARRIER all names of MDRA members recieving letters.

Terry Lang appointed a committee to prepare a presentation for the September meeting of NARC.

Meeting adjourned...

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Public Service: A dozen or more members helped with the Walnut Festival Parade communications. Several bike-a-thons, etc. are coming up.

Social Chairman: Dee Koester reported that the October CARRIER will have some details on the Christmas Party. Because of low club funds, the motion passed that we accept \$1 donations (probably at the door) per person to help defray Christmas Party expenses, with a maximum of \$4 per family.

TVI Committee: Donation of a 9" TV set that works would be welcome because the previously donated TV set that we have does not work.

3895 Net: Joe Rudi is at his Baker, Oregon QTH now.

Emergency Coordinator: Dwayne, while agreeing if necessary to be the Club E.C., recommends that we have another person as Club E.C. so he can have more time for area E.C. work.

Nominating Committee will have a full slate.

Adjournment was at 10:58 p.m.

- Reported by W6CU Sec. pro tem

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It is rumored that Mori, KN6M took up flying lessons a few weeks ago. He has already solo'd and is hot and heavy to finish the job and become a private pilot! (How high can you get a contest machine anyhow?).

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CONTRA COSTA ATV ASSOCIATION TO HAVE EYEBALL!

Saturday November 8th, the Contra Costa ATV association is having a luncheon meeting at the Concord Inn in Concord, Ca. The meeting will start at 1000 hours, break for lunch at noon, and continue untill everyone goes home.

Some of the features will be demonstrations of ATV gear, a tape from W6ORG, Tom O'Hare of Southern Calif. ATV activities, a discussion of the future of ATV in the Bay Area.

Lunch features Cross Ribs with all the trimmings.

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MDARC BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 22, 1980

QTH: O.E.S. 50 Glacier Dr. Martinez, CA
Present: Chuck Welch, Dee Koester, Dwayne Eskridge, Gerry Nanbu, Paul Taylor, Hal Mumford, Ron Luttringer, Doug Smith, Parky Parkinson, Joe Deas, Stan Bringer, Dave Greenhill.

Meeting called to order at 8:08 p.m.
Minutes of the last Board Meeting were approved.

The motion passed that action on the request from the RRRG (not specifically stated to the secretary pro tem) be tabled (for a time and/or be regarded as unfinished business for the time being).

A certificate of approval from the Red Cross for Wetson Communications is in the hands of Dwayne Eskridge. A mutually agreeable time for presentation was discussed, with the possibility of accompanying publicity. The motion passed that we provide both J. Wetson and his father with honorary memberships in the Club because of invaluable services to the MDARC.

The motion passed that the Board accept for printing in the CARRIER, the following petition which is in accordance with the procedure outlined in Sec. 6, #6.6 of our bylaws:

"The undersigned club members request the Board of Directors to recommend an amendment of the bylaws (Article V, Section 1, #1.1) to the general MDARC membership which increases the yearly dues to one dollar per month payable yearly".

This petition was dated Sept. 22, 1980 and was signed by Douglas M. Smith WA6GON, Joe V. Deas K6VLH, Paul C. Taylor WA6TXM, Gerry Nanbu KA6IEW, Dee Koester KA6AOC, and David Greenhill WA6OFI.

Both before and after this petition was presented there was a discussion concerning whether the dues should be more than the above suggested amount or less than the suggested amount.

It was generally agreed that an increase in dues is needful and that the membership as a whole should vote on this matter at our October meeting, possibly changing the actual amount of the increase in dues if necessary and proper. It was agreed by common consent that the wording inserted into the bylaws need not be exactly the same as the wording of the petition.

CARRIER printing: The motion passed that we reduce the page size of the CARRIER as a means of reducing costs. The size of the printing is to be proportionately reduced and adequately readable. Whether this should take place immediately or at some other time (like the end of the year) was discussed. It was also mentioned that because of reduced page size, the amount of advertising revenue may be affected, but it was pointed out that advertising revenue is earmarked for prizes and not for the CARRIER or the general club funds which are currently at a low ebb.

Auction Committee: Chuck is to obtain an Auction Chairman and possibly a Co-Chairman. The date of the auction may not be Oct. 18 as tentatively suggested because of the ARRL Simulated Emergency Test on that date.

Club History: Some progress is being made. Membership Certificates have been printed and are being signed. Names of members are being neatly typed in with big letters. As available, certificates may be picked up at the October, November, and December meetings. Mailing them would be expensive and not feasible at this time.

New Members: It was suggested that a list of new members who joined after the roster was printed, be put into the CARRIER. An abbreviated update listing all members (similar to the excellent 10-19-77 update) is not being considered at this time.

October Program: Speaker is WZCU on what hamming was like in 1920.

Treasurer's Report: Savings \$549.42. Checking \$25.07. A number of dramatic increases in expenses (notably insurance and CARRIER printing costs together with authorized but worthwhile expenses uncharacteristic of previous years) are responsible for that low checking account balance. Some members doing club business are not keeping track of postage, etc. Such unrepresented bills could be regarded as donations and are appreciated.

Awards Committee: A meeting has been scheduled. Ideas from the membership are welcome.

Door Prize Money: \$195 balance. About eighty or ninety dollars come in at meetings. It was suggested that all door-prize expenses be self supporting and not come from the general club funds (like \$26 for Worlradio and \$20.60 for tickets etc. this year so far).

Education Chairman: Gerry Nanbu reported that there are currently no problems, thanks to Mak King.

Public Relations: A \$14.30 ad was placed in a local paper for MDARC radio classes. Parky will obtain the ARRL ham radio film.

The President's Corner....

Most of you notice that the Carrier is in a new smaller format this month. The contents are the same, but it's size has been reduced by 30%. This is due to the increased cost of printing, and this format costs a little over half the cost of the old style.

The club expenses have increased this year, and the treasury is in danger of becoming totally depleted. We must do something to keep MDARC solvent.

A petition was submitted to the board of directors on 22 Sept. 1980 requesting a change in the bylaws to increase the dues to \$12.00 per year. The petition was approved unanimously by the board, and the proposed bylaw change is printed elsewhere in this issue.

The members present at the general meeting in October will be asked to vote on the by-law change. The last dues increase became effective in January 1972 when they were increased from \$3.00 to \$5.00 per year.

MDARC has been very active in many areas this past year, and was chosen the "ARRL Pacific Division club of the year". We also have an award winning newsletter, "The Carrier". (I hope it still is after this month..ed.) If the dues are increased to \$12.00, they will still be among the lowest dues in the country for an amateur radio club of this size and activity level. Please support this by-law change and help MDARC continue to grow in public service and related activities... 73 Chuck.

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****PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGE*****

In Accordance with article 11, Sec.6.6 of the MDARC bylaws, a duly signed petition was submitted to the board of directors requesting a dues increase to \$12.00 per year. The petition was approved by a unanimous vote of the board on September 22nd. 1980. The proposed amendment will change Art, V, Sec.1.1 to read as follows:

1.1 The dues shall be \$12.00 per year, paid yearly in advance. Dues for new members, and for members reinstated after more than one year shall be \$1.00 for each month remaining in the calendar year.

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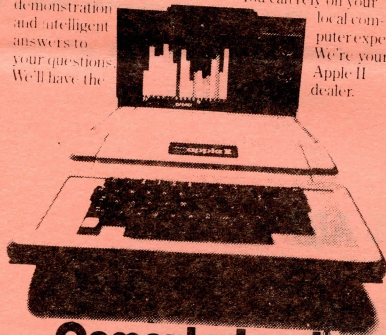
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MOUNT DIABLO AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
GENERAL MEETING, 19 SEPT 1980

MINUTES:

Meeting called to order at 2000 by Pres. WA6MWU Chuck Welsh.

WB6UMT brought in petition regarding problem on WA6EUZ repeater. Petition was read by chair and signatures were requested. Minutes of the prior meeting were read and approved. WA6MWU presented the plaque recieved from the Pacific Division of the ARRL for "The Club of The Year" award. K6XC commented on many activities MDARC has participated in over the past year and the length of the entry for the club of the year judging. WA6MWU read letters from NARC and Jay Watson stating that K6POU/R is not sanctioned and will no longer operate on 66/06 from Diablo.

Repeater: Waiting for xtals for new unit. Intermod on WR6AHK is possibly coming from AC transit unit in same building.

Tonites program, Dick Bash, KL7IHP Oct 17, 1980, Royal Mumford.

The Auction/Flea market is scheduled for Oct 18th.

No secretary report. Treas. Rpt. Total in checking and savings after outstanding bills are paid: \$369.00

EC report: No emergencies.

Oct 18th and 19th. are the dates set for the ARRL nationwide S.E.T.

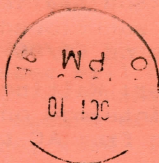
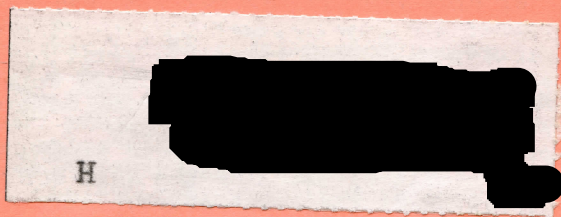
Dwayne was appointed District E.C. by the ARRL. Possible EC's for the East County- WA6ZFZ; For West County; Dave Tyler. Need EC for Central Co. Awards; WA6GON Committee starting for xmas party.

Education: New chairman is Gerry Nanbu, KA6IEW. Mak King thanked Jay Caldis & all helpers and Dick Bash. Classes started 9-9-80 College Park High School, Bldg. H. Code: 7-8 PM; Theory 8-10PM; Advanced 7-10PM. Membership now 319.

Bob Bruder, KA6Q reported that the bikeathon on Labor day went OK. A lot of members were out of town that day. We will be working on the Walnut festival 9-21-80.

Dee, KA6AOC needs help with the xmas party. TVI; 2 problems worked on, 3895 net going well. Xmas Party grand prize will be a ICOM IC255..

Meeting adjourned at 2057



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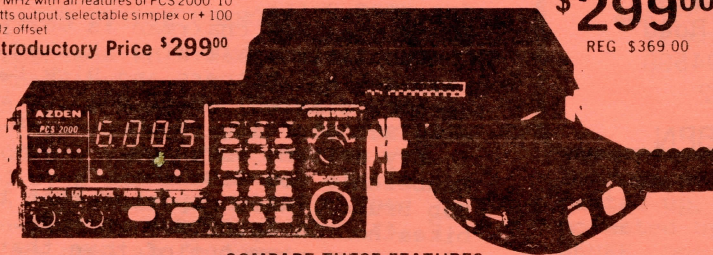
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